

Blogs relevant to naval operations/warfare, policy, and innovation are monitored for items of interest. Some items include a brief excerpt. If you would like to recommend a blog site for inclusion, or want to be removed from the list please contact Mike Perron at: robert.m.perron.ctr@navy.mil

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1. WIRED: DANGER ROOM:

[Congress' Budget Games Mean Less Cash, More Chaos for Pentagon](#): "The Pentagon is grounding planes and leaving ships in port -- not because it wants to, but because Congress' budgetary chaos leaves it little choice."

2. CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL MARITIME SECURITY:

[MFP 3: Impediments and Expedients for Mission Accomplishment](#): "This is the third in our series of posts from our Maritime Futures Project."

[MFP 4: Emerging Technology and Naval Warfare](#): "This is the Fourth in our series of posts from our Maritime Futures Project."

3. SMALL WARS JOURNAL:

[Disruptive Thinking: The US Military Differs From Business](#): "Earlier this week, US Air Force Captain Jeff Gilmore castigated the US military's social media strategy in a Small Wars Journal op-ed (...) However, government agencies are vastly different enterprises than corporations..."

4. OTHER BLOGS (Rotating, based on relevant content)

ARES:

[The "What CV-22 Deployment to Japan?" Kerfuffle](#): "U.S. Air Force Secretary Michael Donley's one-word answer to a simple question today seems to have created some downwash in the Pentagon and -- possibly -- in Japan."

[Kraken Wakes - DARPA's Deep-Sea Sleepers](#): "Arguing it is costly and complex to send large numbers of warships to forward operating areas - and that the energy and logistics needed to deploy lower-cost unmanned systems over oceanic distances limits their usefulness - DARPA has come with another idea."

AVIATION WEEK:

[Pentagon Starts To Address Looming Budget Cuts](#): "'We really have no choice but to prepare for the worst,' Panetta said."

[Could Cuts Be Good For U.S. Defense? Bring Them On.](#): "Deep and long-term budget cuts could be the best thing to happen to the U.S. defense enterprise in decades."

BUSINESS INSIDER:

[Britain's New Stealth Bomber Is Unmanned And Fully Autonomous \(BAL\)](#): "Replacing full-sized manned bombers with more than three decades of battle-tested experience is no small feat, and the Taranis, at least this version, isn't terribly large."

[China Newspaper Says To 'Prepare For The Worst' After Military Confrontation With Japan In The East China Sea:](#) “The Chinese planes scattered soon after, but this marked the first time China and Japan flung military assets at one another over the East China Sea island dispute. A line was crossed and staying behind it in the future will only be more difficult.”

CENTER FOR NEW AMERICAN SECURITY:

[You've Never Seen a Defense Budget Like This](#) : “In *U.S. News and World Report*, Research Associate Jacob Stokes discusses the future of the Defense Department as it faces potential spending cuts and Hagel's nomination.”

DOD BUZZ:

[Pentagon authorizes hiring freezes, furlough plans](#): “Defense Secretary Leon Panetta realizes he will have only a short time to find \$52 billion worth of savings in the Pentagon's 2013 budget if Congress fails to reach an agreement by March 1 to eliminate the sequester cuts.”

EARLY WARNING:

[U.S. To Boost Domestic Missile Defense By Late 2015](#): “North Korea had a successful launch of a long-range missile last month and Iran reported testing a mid-range surface-to-air missile last week. U.S. missile defense must be prepared to address these potential threats, according to Air Force Brigadier General Kenneth E. Todorov.”

FOREIGN POLICY:

[Ash to stay; Panetta's perfect storm; The clock ticks for Allen; Did the Pentagon turn on the cyber-burglar alarm? Wheels up for Dempsey and a little more.](#)

INFOSEC ISLAND:

[Common Sense Cybersecurity](#): “The Problem with Securing the Internet is the Internet.”

INNOVATION MANAGEMENT:

[How Leadership Teams Tend to Block Innovation](#): “Despite all of the talk among leaders about the importance of innovation, there seem to be a number of hidden objections, concerns and disagreements about it that tend to block its progress in many firms.”

THE NAVAL DIPLOMAT:

[Mahan, Bean-Counting and Ideas](#): “Not that Chinese scholars or practitioners of a nautical bent are bashful about advertising their enthusiasm for Mahanian theory. America's sea-power prophet has been a fixture in Chinese strategic discourses about the sea for at least a decade.”

TIME MAGAZINE BATTLELAND BLOG:

[Hot Stuff: The F-35 Just Became 25% More Vulnerable](#): “Two changes designed to cut the plane's weight by 11 pounds have made it 25% more vulnerable to exploding in mid-air, and other unfavorable outcomes. It also makes it more vulnerable – gulp – than the airplanes it is replacing.”

WIRED MAGAZINE (OTHER):

[Cybersleuths Uncover 5-Year-Old Spy Operation Targeting Governments](#): “While most of the victims documented are in Eastern Europe or Central Asia, targets have been hit in 22 countries in total, including the U.S., Ireland, Switzerland, Belgium, Spain, Finland, Japan and the United Arab Emirates.”

5. FROM THE READERS:

BUZZBLOG:

[Why entrepreneurs innovate better than managers](#): “MIT research suggests it's because they 'use their brains in a different and more complete way.'”